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Subject: PRESS INQUIRY, ASAP: Bloomberg - Oily Method, DDL 12PM

Importance: High

Hi Neil,

Pat Rizzuto sent in the following questions after listening in to the SFIREG/AAPCO meeting yesterday. Her deadline is 12 PM so we are looking at a very quick turnaround. Could you please take a look at the answer below and provide any feedback/edits by **11 AM**?

CONTEXT: EPA pesticide officials/scientists briefed state pesticide regulators today during an Association of American Pesticide Control Officials (AAPCO)/ State FIFRA Issues Research and Evaluation Group (SFIREG) meeting. Thuy Nguyen mentioned that the EPA hopes to make PFAS-detection method the pesticide office has been developing available around the end of this month. The new method is able to detect 28 PFAS in an oily matrix, she said.

QUESTIONS: Could pesticide manufacturers and state regulators use this method, when released, to check products? If not, who are the intended users? If so, are there other potential users EPA would like to highlight? Any other details/comment are welcome, OPP officials made it clear during today's meeting that their research on the PFAS in fluorinated HDPE containers issue still is ongoing.

RESPONSE:

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Best,
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